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More than 70 years ago, a small group of individuals in Itawamba County had a vision. Little did they know the magnitude of the impact that Itawamba Community College would have today.

Now in 2022, ICC's footprint extends beyond that cotton and cornfield investment of \$4,000, where in 1948, 200 students had an opportunity to first experience how special this institution is.

The impact of the College has woven its way through the hills and valleys of Chickasaw, Itawamba, Lee, Monroe and Pontotoc counties and beyond. And, that meager investment has multiplied many times over in financial aid, workforce training and instructional dollars to ensure that all students

receive their best start here. Our students and faculty are your friends, neighbors and members of your community. Some are first-generation students who are now equipped with an educational foundation to stretch beyond their original limits.

The generosity of our donors and partners enables us to provide the best start for our students, those who continue to become medical professionals, teachers, engineers and industry leaders as well as countless others in your communities.

ICC's tradition of pride, service and excellence continues, but the best is yet to come. I look forward to sharing this journey with you.

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From the FOUNDATION



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What an amazing time to serve as Chair of the Itawamba Community College Foundation Board!

If you haven't visited any ICC location lately, you are definitely missing an opportunity to reconnect with the BEST!

At the Fulton Campus, Magnolia Hall is shaping up to be the most beautiful student residence anywhere. The Academic and Student Center at the Tupelo Campus is an extraordinary front door. The Belden Center continues to be the hub for meetings and workforce training.

Now more than ever, we all should take advantage of the opportunity to give back to the college that has invested so much in us. You can make a one-time gift to the Foundation, endow a scholarship to guarantee that students of tomorrow have their best start for an unlimited future or consider a legacy gift.

No matter the amount, your generosity will be utilized in an area of your choice or where it is most needed.

As we have celebrated Thanksgiving and Christmas and have counted and recounted our blessings, I hope that you will join me in continuing to assist with shaping lives and building futures of ICC's students of today and tomorrow. Students of all ages, especially adult learners, need additional funds to achieve their educational goals. Many are first generation students, and community college commencement is a milestone.

Together, we can transform dreams into reality.



FROM LEFT: JIM INGRAM (ICC), MICHAEL UPTON (ICC), PRESIDENT DR. JAY ALLEN (ICC), LEE TUCKER (CARPENTER FOUNDATION) AND DR. DANA WALKER (ICC)

Itawamba Community College dedicated the E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Foundation Simulation Laboratory in the Health Science Education Center on its Tupelo Campus Sept. 20.

“Today we recognize our strong partnership with our friends at the E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Foundation,” ICC President Dr. Jay Allen said during the ceremony, which was abbreviated due to COVID precautions. “We have received approximately \$175,000 over the past seven years for equipment and upgrades. The Carpenter Foundation understands our mission and the impact ICC has on our communities.”

Gifts from the Carpenter Foundation have supported all of ICC’s Health Science programs with technology, equipment upgrades and student and faculty support.

According to Dr. Dana Walker, director, ICC’s Associate Degree Nursing program has utilized the funds to purchase equipment such as bar code scanners to mimic medication scanners used in healthcare to improve patient safety, manikin replacement parts to reflect lifelike scenarios instead of utilization of the imagination that is sometimes limited and emergency equipment for students to have hands-on training to improve patient outcomes.

“Studies show that collaborative learning across healthcare disciplines such as respiratory care, physical therapy, practical nursing and others leads to better communication and collaboration as well as better alignment to healthcare and improved practice, which can only improve patient care,” Walker said. “With your generous donations, our students are able to learn in a state-of-the art simulation lab with state-of-the-art equipment.”

In the simulation lab, ICC’s healthcare students are able to practice basic skills that are taught in the classroom. Simulation helps students bridge the gap between the skills learned in the lab, theory taught in the classroom and real-life situations seen during clinical rotation.

The E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Foundation was formed in 1975 as E. Rhodes Carpenter Foundation by E. Rhodes Carpenter, founder of the Richmond, Virginia-based company now known as Carpenter Company.

Lee Tucker, division manager of the Carpenter Company, which is located in Verona, expressed his appreciation to ICC in his remarks. “Thank you for being a leader in education” Tucker said. “Everyone knows how vital education is. You do the important work. Writing a check is easy. Thank you for being a part of our effort.”

E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter

FOUNDATION SIMULATION LABORATORY

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HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS HAVE BEEN TRAINED
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~ DR. JAY ALLEN





*Rich
Webb*

Susan E. Loden

MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

“Susan Loden lived life to the fullest, a driven lady...very smart,” said her husband, Aaron, when describing the longtime Itawamba Community College economics instructor, who died in 2005.

“She sang in church even when very sick,” Aaron continued. “She loved her children (Kayla and Clayton) and took excellent care of them. I adored her.”

And that love has evolved into the Susan E. Loden Memorial Endowed Scholarship at ICC, which will enable Itawamba County students who have financial need to continue their education for years to come.

Recipients must be full-time students who have and maintain a 2.5 grade point average. Potential success in college will also be considered.

An ICC alumnus and Fulton native, Susan earned both her bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Ole Miss. She was hired by her mentor, former dean Dr. Bill Edmonson, and began teaching in 1988. “She loved her work and was especially proud of her SIFE (Students in Free Enterprise) members,” Aaron said. As the SIFE sponsor, Susan organized educational activities and promotional projects to teach economic concepts to the community. She coached award-winning student teams for a number of years.

During her teaching career, Susan received several prestigious honors, including the President’s Meritorious Achievement Award twice, Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers honoree, ICC’s Lamplighter Conference for Excellence in Education representative, sponsor of the SIFE International Rookie of the Year Team and sponsor of the SIFE Regional Winner for multiple years. In 1998, ICC’s National Investment Challenge team ranked third nationally out of 200 or more colleges and universities.

One of her former students said, in 1996, “The words to describe such a lady as Susan Loden are endless, as she is the epitome of what we all should be. She is a truly sincere, caring, inspiring and very intellectual instructor and person in all of life...Her class has been one of learning about the economic system and how it works, but above all, it has been a lesson about who we are, where we are going and the joys of life. She is a mentor in my life and I am glad I had the joy of meeting her through my studies.”

Susan was also active in her community as a member of the Itawamba County Development Council.

The Lodens owned and operated Fulton Skateland for more than 23 years. For a few months, Susan also served as a substitute teacher at Itawamba Agricultural High School. She was a very active member of Big Oak Baptist Church, where she was church pianist and a member of the Youth and Education committee.

Aaron said that by setting up the scholarship in Susan’s memory, his family “hopes to help students further their education and achieve more in life. This is what she would have wanted. We don’t want people to forget what she stood for and all the good she did while on earth. We want to keep her memory alive and let everyone know what a great person she was.”

Susan once said, “I am a strong believer in the local junior college system. I know from experience that it has helped scores of people who otherwise would not have pursued a college education.”

And because Susan Loden’s career path found its way back to Itawamba Community College and her belief in the importance of two-year colleges, her family’s generosity will enable students for years to come to take the next step in their future.

Dr. C.K. “Dick” and Elsie D. White

HEALTHCARE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. C.K. “Dick” White has had a long association with Itawamba Community College.

The Fulton native was a student when it was IJC, and he has watched as his alma mater has evolved over the years to a campus that looks like it should be a university and expanded to two more locations.

It still has the same feel, he said, when it was IJC. Classes were small, more individual attention and just “that closeness that you love. I knew my teachers and had access to them,” White said.

His love for ICC and a desire for future students in health sciences programs to have an opportunity to excel have led to the Dr. C.K. “Dick” White and Elsie D. White Healthcare Endowed Scholarship as a planned gift through a life insurance policy.

“Elementary, high school and community college taught me what I needed to succeed over the years,” White noted.

When he was a student at ICC, White said that classes were “pretty general for everybody, but now they have to declare a major. Sometimes they have to stay an extra semester.”

White said he was born “right here in the Fulton Clinic and delivered by Dr. Chipppy Crockett.” When he was growing up, his father owned White’s Supermarket on the square and he learned many life lessons while working there. His family lived where the apartments are just past McNeece-Morris Funeral Home.

White said that most students today don’t know that there was no interstate and that a narrow bridge over the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway was the connection with Fulton and

beyond. He traveled that two-lane asphalt to Oxford after he earned his ICC degree .

White met his wife, a Natchez native, at Ole Miss, where she was already a student. Today they live in Tupelo. In 2020, he retired as chief medical officer of the North Mississippi Medical Center. From 2018-20, he also served as interim chief quality and safety medical officer for North Mississippi Health Services, and since 2016, executive board member of Connected Care Partners CIN. He has an extensive list of honors and awards, including NMMC Surgeon of the Year and Itawamba Agricultural High School Alumnus of the Year. White is a member of numerous professional associations and serves on the board of a number of community organizations. He also earned degrees from the University of Mississippi and the University of Mississippi School of Medicine.

“Community college is important and so is financial assistance,” White said. Without it, he couldn’t have afforded to go to college since his father died close to the time he graduated. Then, ICC tuition was \$125 per semester. “ICC gave me an opportunity to continue on my journey. I came from a small town in Mississippi. I saw many of my classmates get married and work at Charm Step. Had I gotten off track, I never would have kept going.”

White said he has had opportunities working with the North Mississippi Medical Center and its board. “If you can get a person to move into medicine, it is a win-win. Local people invest in their communities, and it generates a higher level of economy and quality of life.”

“Elsie and I had talked about the fact that I



FROM LEFT: LORI LITTLE (ICC), DR. DANA WALKER (ICC),
ELSIE AND DR. DICK WHITE AND PRESIDENT DR. JAY ALLEN (ICC).

“THEY MADE A DIFFERENCE IN MY LIFE. WHY NOT MAKE
A DIFFERENCE IN SOMEONE ELSE’S?”

~ DR. DICK WHITE

was a number in a number of places,” White noted. I was just another person. ICC was a pivotal thing in me doing what I want to do.”

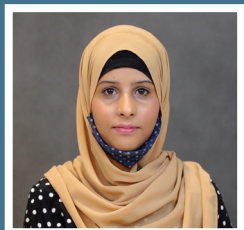
Among those individuals who had an impact on White were former instructors Herb Parham and Jim Long. “They made a difference in my life. Why not make a difference in someone else’s?”

Recipients of the scholarship will be full-time students who are Mississippi residents enrolled in a health science education program and maintain a 2.5 grade point average or higher. First preference will be for students from Itawamba County, and second preference will be from any of the other four counties in ICC’s service district. Potential for success in college and financial need will be considered

in the selection process.

For more information on contributing to this scholarship or other endowment opportunities including life insurance, contact Michael Upton, director of Advancement, at 662.862.8035 or maupton@iccms.edu.

2021-2022 Recipients FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS



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GENE M. TILGHMAN
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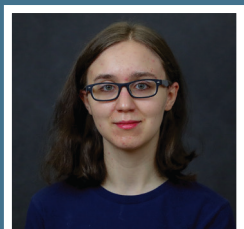
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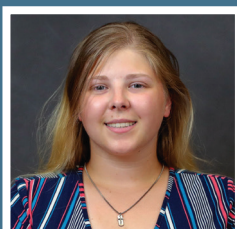
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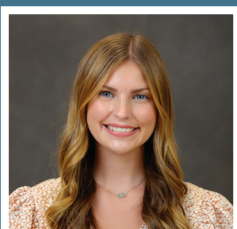
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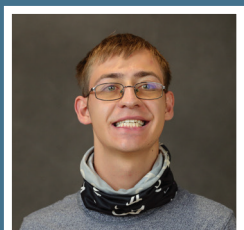
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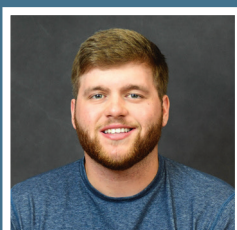
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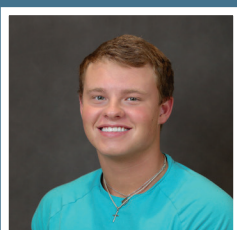
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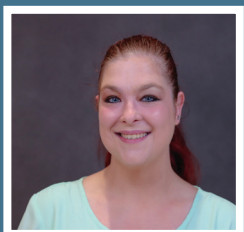


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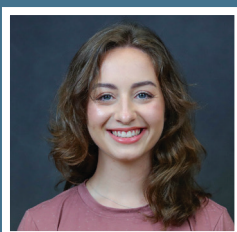
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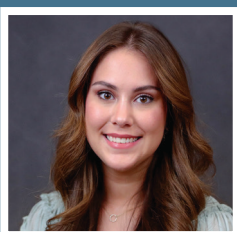
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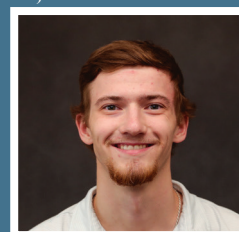


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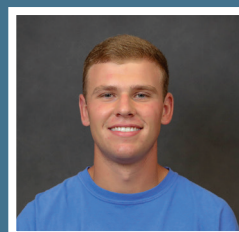
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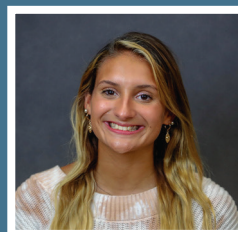


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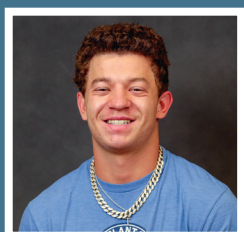
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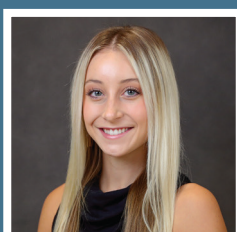
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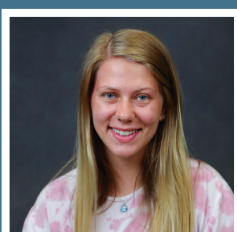
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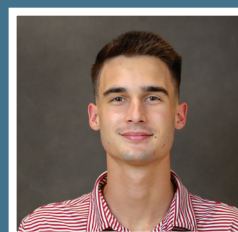
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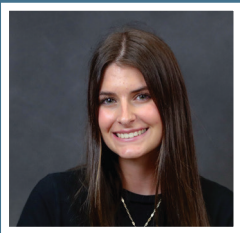
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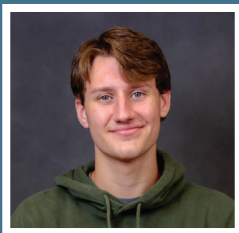
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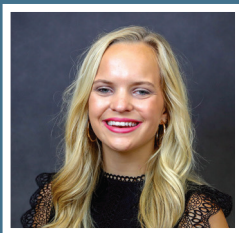
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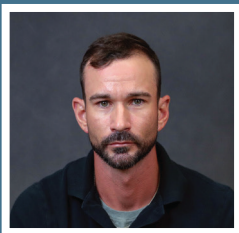
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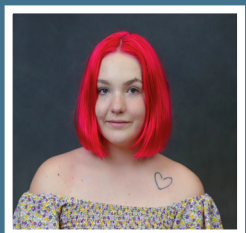
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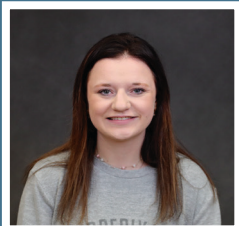
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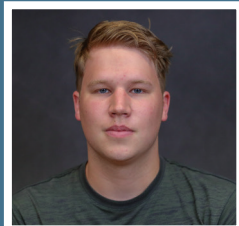
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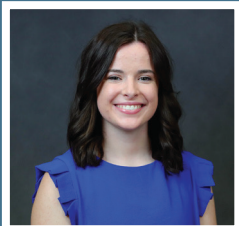
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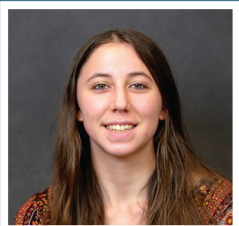
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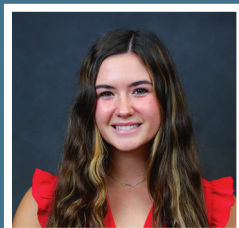
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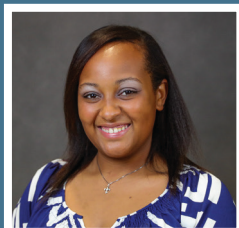
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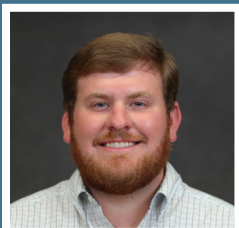
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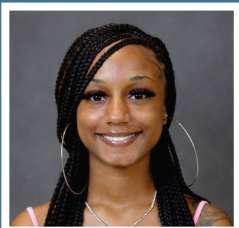
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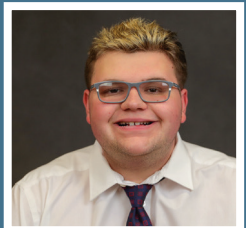
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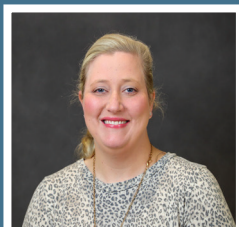
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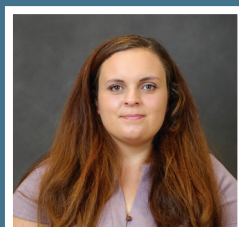
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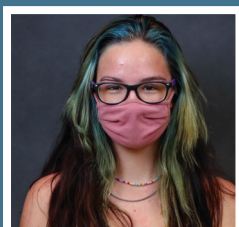
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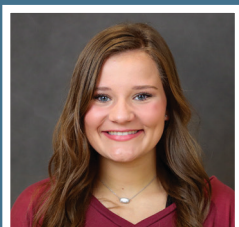
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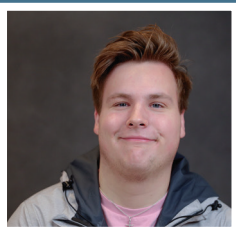
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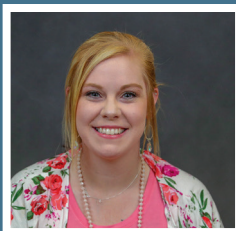


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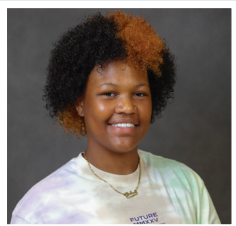
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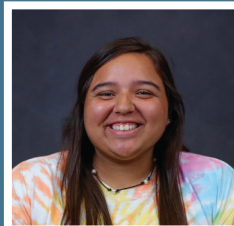
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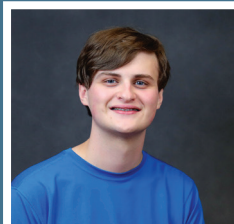
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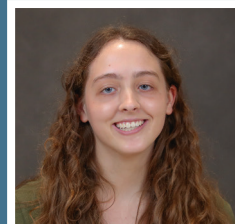
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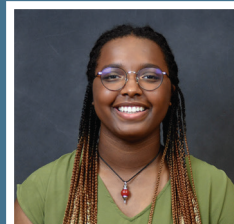
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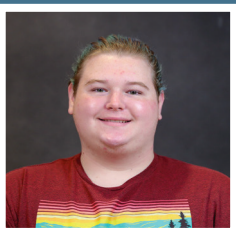
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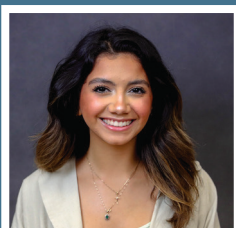
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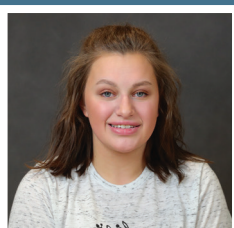
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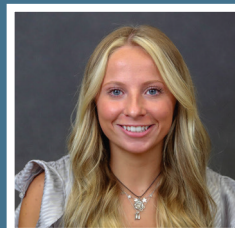
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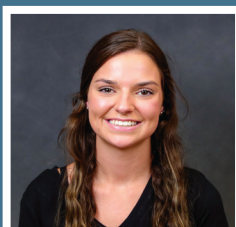
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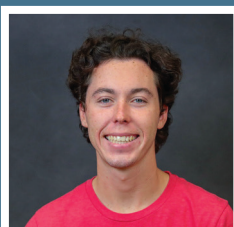
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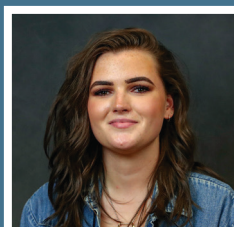
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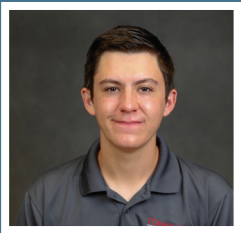
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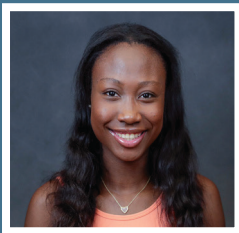
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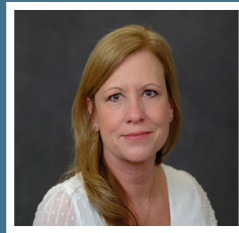
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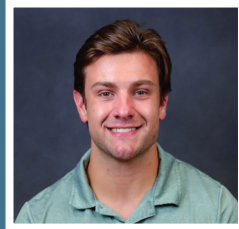
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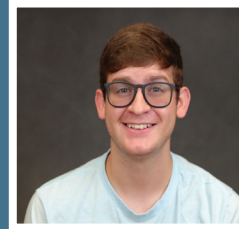
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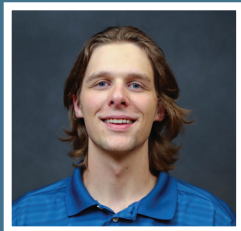
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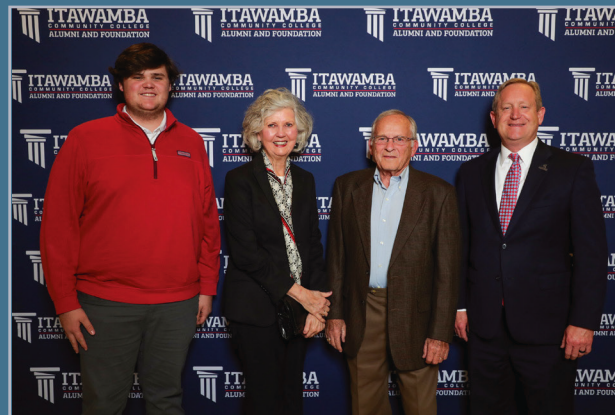
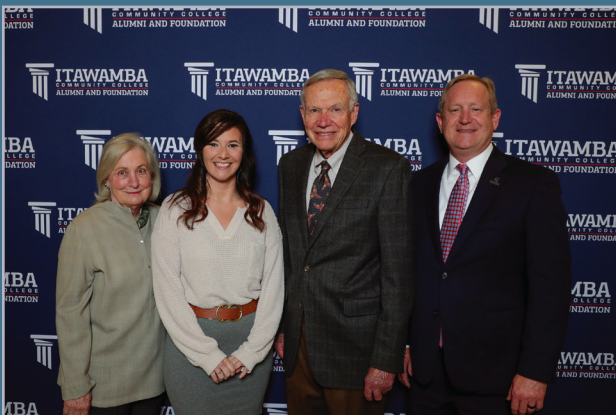
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2021

Dr. Jay Allen

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Itawamba Community College President Dr. Jay Allen has been named to the American Association of Community College Board of Directors for a three-year term.

He is one of two Mississippi community college presidents serving on the prestigious board, which acts on behalf of the institutional members to create and maintain a vision for AACC, provide a national voice and advocacy for the community college mission and to determine and ensure that the organization adheres to appropriate standards of performance. A total of 32 presidents serve on the Board. Allen is an affiliate council representative and board member for the Community Colleges of Appalachia, which serves the common interests of colleges and their communities through programs and services responsive to the unique cultural, geographic and economic development challenges facing the region. Dr. Mary Graham of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College is serving on the AACC Board as well.

The AACC represents nearly 1,200 two-year, associate degree-granting institutions and more than 12 million students.

Allen became the seventh president of ICC on July 1, 2017 after serving as president and chief executive officer of Hopkinsville Community College in Kentucky since January 2014.

A native Mississippian, he served in several leadership positions at Hinds Community College and as a senior-level administrator for Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College – Perkinston and the George County Center – for a combined total of 25 years. He earned the associate's degree from Hinds, both bachelor's and master's degrees from Mississippi State University and the doctorate from the University of Mississippi. He currently serves on numerous local, state and national boards, including chair of the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges State Workforce Education committee; chair of the Mississippi Education Achievement Council responsible for the statewide educational attainment goal and Chair of the HERDI South Board. In 2019 he was nominated by students and awarded Phi Theta Kappa's national Paragon Award recognizing college presidents who show exceptional dedication and support of student success by emphasizing academic achievement, leadership and service among high-achieving students at their college.

Allen and his wife, Belinda, have two daughters, Emma Grace, 18; and Mollianne, 13.



Marriages

Madison Michelle Carnes, Pontotoc, to Benjamin Chase Hale, Pontotoc, 8.21.2021
Lauren Elizabeth Clayton, Pontotoc, to Austin Channing Anderson, Pontotoc, 10.23.21
Kayla Marie Crowson, Pontotoc, to **Richard Lee Campbell**, Pontotoc, 8.28.21
Cassidy Leigh Homan, Shannon, to Blake Galloway, Houlka, 11.6.21
Holly Adreanna Maxcy, Ecu, to **Robert Austin Chapman**, Ecu, 9.4.21
Cassidy Nicole Morgan, Corinth, to **Tyler Wayne Camp**, Mantachie, 10.23.21

In Memoriam

Kyle Jordon Armstrong, Tupelo, 10.25.21
William Patrick Brannigan III, Tupelo, 10.9.21
Mary Catherine Clark Burleson, Tupelo, 6.22.21
Martha Kay Young Griffin Cunningham, Houston, 6.28.21
Bobby Gene “Winky” Davis, Pontotoc, 8.24.21
(former employee)
Stacey Camille Morgan Dessonville, Tupelo, 10.22.21
Charles Ralph Fikes, Tupelo, 9.1.21
Ann Kilpatrick Stubblefield Gibbs, Tupelo, 11.22.21
(former instructor)
Marlon David Givhan, Belden, 8.9.21 (former employee)
Beverly Ann Goddard, R.T.® (C.V.), Tupelo, 6.11.21
Patsy Cowley Horne, Smithville, 8.30.21
Carlithia Denae Hunt, Augusta, Ga., 10.21
Travis Tyler Jones, Hamilton, 9.14.21
Gerry Sanders Killingsworth, Tupelo, 11.20.21
Shirley Ann Thompson Lowry, Pontotoc, 7.27.21
Shirlie “Buddy” McDaniel, Tupelo, 4.17.19
John Thomas “Big Mac” McKinney, Pontotoc, 6.17.21
Austin Cole Miles, Amory, 9.21.21
Kimberly Deshune Miller, Tupelo, 7.6.21
Olen Wayne Mitchell, Tupelo, 8.18.21
Clayton Grimes Moore, Tupelo, 9.3.21
Charlotte Ann Ivy Morrow, Fulton, 7.23.21
Nicky Ray Nichols, Mantachie, 10.31.21
Bruce Allen Owen, Saltillo, 11.5.21
H. Martin Ruoss III, Aberdeen, 9.29.21
Lee Austin Saunders, Tupelo, 8.25.21
MSG Rev. William Allen Shack, Verona, 7.22.21
(alumnus and first African-American in Lee County to
serve on the ICC Board of Trustees)
William C. “Sonny” Spearman, Shannon, 10.5.21
Otho Otis Stevens, Tupelo, 9.23.21
Patsy Lynn Falls Stone, Tremont, 9.17.21
Donald Dayton Taylor, New Site, 6.21.21
(former faculty member)
Rodney Dexter Taylor, Tupelo, 7.12.21
Gene Tinsley, Tupelo, 8.11.21
Billy Wayne Todd, Fulton, 8.21.21
(former coach, administrator and member
of the ICC Board of Trustees)
John Tucker Vaughan, Shannon, 10.20.21
Nancy E. (Birmingham) Walters, Tupelo, 8.5.21
Martha Sue Webb, Mooreville, 9.10.21
Teresa Joe Hood Webb, Tupelo, 11.8.21
Roy Lynn Westbrook, Amory, 8.31.21



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From the ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



Alumni Association President

CHUCK HOWELL

I continue to be amazed at the quality of the events that are presented by the administration, faculty and staff of Itawamba Community College. I encourage all the alumni and friends of ICC to attend as many in-person events as your schedule permits.

Since our last newsletter, I enjoyed attending the ICC Fiscal New Year's Eve Party on the Fulton Campus on June 30, which celebrated the end of FY 21 and welcomed in FY 22. The Homecoming celebration on September 23 was absolutely outstanding. Earlier in the afternoon, ICC hosted an awards ceremony in the Davis Event Center which honored the 2021 Alumnus of the Year Karen Camp McFerrin of Mantachie; and the Athletic Hall of Fame inductees Cameron "CeCee" Austin Cavanaugh of Pontotoc and Jeff Tally of Saltillo. It was a great time to meet so many of their family members. Later, these three outstanding individuals were honored at the homecoming football game. It was also a joy to attend the fourth annual Legacy Foundation Scholarship Recognition Dinner to honor our Foundation donors and their scholarship recipients on November 9 at the Belden Center.

It continues to be an honor for me to serve the ICC Alumni Association as President. My sincere thanks to all of the dedicated alumni and friends who support ICC with your continued commitment and encouragement. Great things continue to happen at ICC. We want you to be a part as we approach the Diamond Anniversary of Itawamba Community College in 2023.

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1971

Football



Members of the 1971 football team, coaches, cheerleaders and their families returned to the Fulton Campus on October 14 to celebrate their 50th anniversary reunion. Attendees reunited, shared memories, walked on the old football field and shared a barbecue supper in the Cypress Pavilion. They were recognized on the field that night prior to the ICC/Holmes football game.


The 1971 IJC team, which was composed of 40 freshmen and only five sophomores, was coached by Dudley Miller, Tom Childs and Dock Wall.

This team had IJC's first winning season since 1966, and it tied for the league lead in scoring and finished with a 5-4-1 record. The highlight was a record-setting 74-22 win over the rival Northeast Mississippi Junior College Tigers at Booneville.

50th Reunion



2021 *Alumnus* OF THE YEAR *Karen Camp McFerrin*



From 1968-70, Karen McFerrin attended ICC, where she earned the associate's degree. She was a Wesley Foundation officer, Drum Major, vice president of the Home Economics Club and charter member of Phi Theta Kappa, Hall of Fame, IJC Beauty and Dean's List Scholar. She continued her education at the University of Mississippi, where she earned both bachelor's and master's degrees in home economics. She began her career working for the Mississippi Extension Service in Tylertown before returning home to accept a position at ICC, where she served as a recruiter, teacher and adviser. McFerrin played a vital role in the organization of the Indian Delegation. Through teaching nutrition classes, she empowered many nursing students to understand and implement the vital link between nutrition and health in their careers. Over the years, she has volunteered her time in community service.

Since 1975, she has been a member of the Pilot Club of Mantachie and has held multiple offices on the local, district and international levels, including district governor and international director. McFerrin has served on the Sanctuary Hospice Regional Board, Itawamba County Development Council, Mississippi Home Economics Association, organizing board member of the Itawamba County Boys and Girls Club, Leadership Itawamba, BancorpSouth Community Board and Itawamba County Extension Service Board and numerous committees at the Mantachie First Baptist Church where she is a member. Her honors include Outstanding Young Women of America (two years). She is the immediate past president of the ICC Alumni Board. She and her husband, Joe, have one daughter, Jodie Boyd (Garry), and two grandchildren, Anna Karen and Martin.

Athletic **H**



*Cameron
"CeCee"
Austin
Cavanaugh*



CeCeeCavanaugh, a 2010 graduate of ICC, teaches at North Pontotoc High School, where she was head fast pitch softball coach for nine years. Many of her players have moved on to compete at the next level. A standout softball player, Cavanaugh left ICC with a .468 career batting average with 143 hits, 29 doubles, four triples, 27 home runs, 109 RBI and 105 runs scored. She ranked among the nation's best in every offensive category during her two seasons at ICC.

In her final season, she earned NJCAA Third Team All-American honors, becoming the first player in the history of ICC's program to earn All-

American honors. She helped lead the Lady Indians to their first-ever North Division Championship, receiving North Division MVP honors along the way. She earned the bachelor's degree from Belhaven University, where she and the Lady Blazers finished third in the country in 2011. Cavanaugh's Lady Vikings were Division 2-3A champions four straight years, from 2016-19, as well as runners-up for the north half title three times. Over her nine-year career, including fast-pitch and slow-pitch, Cavanaugh accumulated an impressive record of 235 wins and 92 losses. She and her husband, Jared, are the parents of Brighton, Maddux and Cace.

ALL OF FAME



Jeff Tally



Jeff Tally, who attended ICC from 1976-78, participated in basketball, baseball and track. An All-State basketball player, he played in the Mississippi Junior College All-Star game, and in track, he won the Mississippi Junior College state championship in pole vault. His IJC activities included guitarist for Kaleidoscope, sophomore favorite and Who's Who among American Junior Colleges. In addition to his degree from ICC, Tally earned the bachelor's degree from the University of Mississippi. He retired in 2018 after 29 years of service at Mooreville High School. He served as athletics director since 2010, and his additional roles have included coach for girls and boys basketball, football, baseball, softball, track, boys/

girls cross country and golf. During his high school days, the 1976 graduate won three state titles in pole vault and one in high jump, and he was a pitcher and shortstop on the Troopers first state championship team in 1976. His honors have included while at Mooreville High School, assistant coach for five state championship softball teams and two state championship baseball teams and head coach for the cross country division championship team and selection as the 2013 Northeast Mississippi Basketball Coaches Association Coach of the Year. Tally is a member of Calvary Baptist Church where he serves as a deacon. He and his wife, Lisa, have four children, Russ, Lance, Jim and Rachel, as well as eight grandchildren.

Homecoming 2021 signaled a return to normalcy for Itawamba Community College's Homecoming celebrations following COVID-forced limited activities last year.

There was all of the pomp and circumstance...and more on September 23.

The evening included cheerleaders and ICC Boys pumping up the crowd, spectacular performance by the All-American Band and presentation of the Homecoming Court on Eaton Field. ICC President Dr. Jay Allen and Alumni Association President Chuck Howell presented plaques to the honorees in a ceremony prior to the football game with Jones.

During halftime, the court introduction preceded the crowning of 2021 Queen Brycelyn Morris of Nettleton. As in 2020, escorts for the members of the court were their fathers, other family members or friends.

They included Fulton Campus Freshman Maids Emma Grace Allen of Fulton (Dr. Jay Allen) and Zoe Bigham of Philadelphia (J.T. Bigham); Tupelo Campus Freshman Maids Skylar Breland of Ripley (Tommy Abney) and Brooklyn O'Connor of Aberdeen (Jason O'Connor); Fulton Campus Sophomore Maids Haley Dean of Saltillo (Gary Dean) and Emma Cate Sparks of Saltillo (Bert Sparks); and Tupelo Campus Sophomore Maids Grace Beck of Guntown (Steve Beck) and Lexie Kent of New Albany (Jonathan Kent). Queen Brycelyn's escort was Landon Donaldson.



2021 Home



Welcome HOME

From the field...



ICC alumni Dr. Dick White of Tupelo and Lt. Col. Sheldon Morris of Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas served as honorary captains for Heroes Night.



North Mississippi Medical Center Cancer Care and Breast Care Center leadership and staff were honored on the field for their sponsorship of the Pink Out Event for breast cancer awareness.



Jessi Stevenson, Dr. Jay Allen and Michael Upton presented a check to Genie Alice Bruce and Domingo Valpuesta for Cancer Care.



Breast cancer survivor and ICC alumnus Leslie Harper Geoghegan of Tupelo “came home” to participate in the coin toss, October 28.



...to the classroom.

Service is an important word to Itawamba Community College instructor and alumnus Ashley Brown of Blue Springs.

Fresh off a nine-month deployment to Kuwait, Brown returned to the classroom as an industrial maintenance, robotics and electrical technology instructor at the Belden Center. He is now in a different kind of service... recruiting and teaching students.

That's a long way from what Major Brown was doing in western Asia, where he was the logistic officer for a rotary aviation maintenance unit.

Brown has been in the military for more than 17 years, beginning as an enlisted private. Following a 12-month deployment to Iraq, he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. After six years of enlisted time, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant. While Brown was in the command position, his unit was deployed for nine months to Syria and Kuwait.

Today, he teaches in an air-conditioned and heated classroom, depending on the season.

Brown, who earned his associate's degree in robotics/automated systems from ICC, became an instructor following a more than 10-year career in industry as a maintenance technician and manufacturing engineer.

He also has a bachelor's degree in liberal arts from Excelsior College.

"After several years working in industry, I had returned to ICC taking courses in Tool and Die Technology," Brown said. "During this time Mr. (Barry) Emison suggested that I apply for an instructor position with the Workforce department. I was fortunate enough to be hired. A year later the CTE Division opened the Industrial Maintenance Technology program, and I had the honor of being selected as the instructor."

He says his ICC job enables him to assist others in improving their careers and lives, which can be translated into service. Brown also likes that he has a work schedule that allows optimal amounts of time with his family which includes his wife, Mandee, and children Zander, Hope, Gunner and Wyatt.

At ICC, he has been awarded two of its most prestigious honors, Lamplighter 2013 and Meritorious Achievement, 2017.

Whether he's in Syria, Kuwait or Belden, Mississippi, Ashley Brown is involved in service...to his country or to the students he shapes for new beginnings and new careers.

Welcome home, Ashley Brown.



The Indian Club supports Itawamba Community College's athletics. Through its efforts, more than 200 male and female student-athletes have the opportunity not only to represent the Indians in competition, but also to receive an unparalleled education that will develop them into leaders of tomorrow.

Gifts to the Indian Club provide funds to enable our student-athletes to participate in projects above and beyond the current budgets. With reductions in federal and state budgets, the support of the fundraising efforts through alumni, friends and former athletes has become more necessary than ever.

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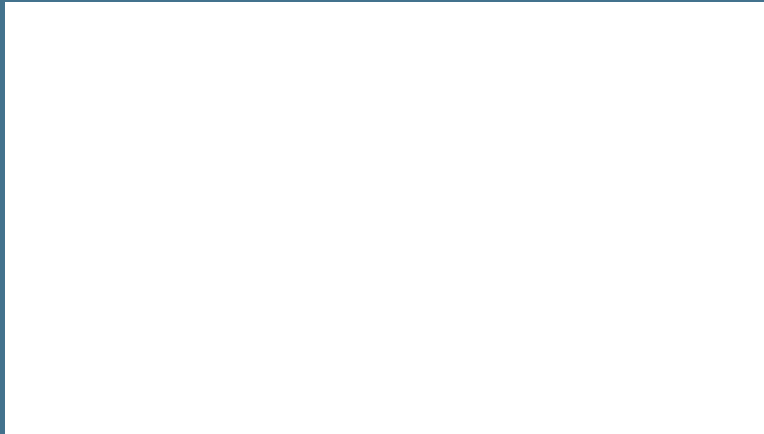
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